

AMERICA'S CUP WORLD SERIES HOST COMMITTEE

MEETING OF MARINE AFFAIRS SUBCOMMITTEE

PUBLIC SESSION

MAY 29, 2012

A meeting of the Marine Affairs Subcommittee was on held Tuesday, May 29, 2012 at 1:00 p.m., at Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation, 315 Iron Horse Way, Providence, Rhode Island pursuant to notice of the meeting to all subcommittee members and public notice of the meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto, as required by the By-Laws of the Corporation and applicable Rhode Island law.

The following were in attendance: Mr. Michael Keyworth (co-chair), Dr. Robin Wallace (co-chair), Mr. Brad Read (Chairman, America's Cup World Series RI Host Committee), Mr. Paul Harden (Executive Director America's Cup RI), Mr. Bill Plumb, Ms. Ann Souder, Mr. Anderson Reggio, Mr. Geoff Grout, Mr. Tom DeLotto, Mr. Chris Cannon, Mr. Jay Gowell, Mr. Ken Keyworth, Mr. Ed Leblanc

OPENING REMARKS AND CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Keyworth called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m. It was decided that the next Marine Affairs Subcommittee meeting will be June 11, 2012, 1:00 p.m. at Sail Newport.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 14, 2012

The minutes were June 14th minutes were reviewed. With the exception of one minor change, a motion was made to approve. All were in favor.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Mr. Reggio gave an update on the stake boats. The number has been reduced from eight to six. The range of boats is 44-60'. He is waiting to hear from Mr. Harold Bennett at America's Cup Race Management so that he can plan training sessions. Marshall boats were discussed; six boats will be provided by the RI America's Cup World Series (ACWS) Host Committee, the other two will be supplied by the AC Race Management Team. There is also a spare boat if needed.

Mr. Read gave updates on other facets of the ACWS Events, including logistics and the Exploration Zone. He said there will be an opening ceremony on June 27 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. June 27, 2012 is also the first practice race day.

The marine brochure has been sent out via email to all board members and maritime affiliates. The use of paper copies is being avoided for ecological reasons. It was suggested that this be sent to all registered boat owners via email; this will be investigated further. There will be an intern from ACWS posting this information throughout the city.

Mr. Leblanc said the safety issues at Quonset have been resolved. He told Mr. Harden the safety plan will need to be revised slightly because of the sea turtles.

Mr. Read said that there will be a couple of press releases going out over the next few weeks. These will be posted in the America's Cup Event Authority database. Mr. Delotto suggested posting links for smart phone efficiency.

Mr. Reggio said there have been some issues with the public buying tickets. Sail Newport cannot assist with this, patrons should be directed to the website support.

Dr. Wallace suggested posting channel 88 alpha in the marine brochure. The land based broadcaster will be Mr. Andy Green. The YouTube feed will be broadcasted by Mr. Gary Jobson, Mr. Mitch Booth and Mr. Martin Tasca. Sunday will be broadcast live on NBC. Tents, Club 45 and the skyboxes will have a live TV feed.

Per Mr. Leblanc, an Incident/Action plan will be in the command post. Key operators will also receive a copy.

CLOSING COMMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 1:40 p.m. All were in favor.